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ANNUAL REPORT
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FOR
1954

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ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1954

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area of Administrative County (in acres)	97,273
Population (Registrar General's Estimate 1954)	22,800
Rateable Value	£127,174
Product of a penny rate	£482

Vital Statistics

Births

	M	F	Total
Live births	206	197	403
Legitimate	198	187	385
Illegitimate	8	10	18
Stillbirths	4	5	9

Deaths

Total	128	108	236

Infant Deaths

Total	6	3	9
Legitimate	6	3	9
Illegitimate	-	-	-

	Rutland	England & Wales
Birth rate per 1000 population	19.2	15.2
Death rate per 1000 population	9.5	11.3
Tuberculosis death rate per 1000 population	0.21	0.2
Infantile mortality rate per 1000 births	22.3	25.5

CAUSES OF DEATH - 1954

	0-		1-		5-		15-		25-		45-		65-		75-		All ages		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Tuberculosis, Respiratory									1	1	2	1					3	2	5
Syphilitic Disease													1				1	-	1
Cancer of Stomach											2	2	2		1		5	2	7
Cancer of Lung & Bronchus											2	1	1				3	1	4
Cancer of Breast										1		2		2		1	-	6	6
Cancer of all other sites									1		3	2		1	1	3	5	6	11
Diabetes								1			1						1	1	2
Vascular lesions of the nervous system							1				2	3	5	5	14	9	22	17	39
Coronary Disease, angina									1	1	3	2	4	5	5	2	13	10	23
Hypertension with heart disease															1		1	-	1
Other Heart Disease											4	2	5	6	15	16	24	24	48
Other circulatory disease													3	2	9	7	12	9	21

	0-		1-		5-		15-		25-		45-		65-		75-		All ages		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Influenza													1				1	-	1
Pneumonia	2	1							1		1	2		1	1	1	5	5	10
Bronchitis									1			1	2		3	3	6	4	10
Other diseases of the respiratory system														1		1	-	2	2
Ulcer of the stomach & duodenum	1										1		1	1	2	1	5	2	7
Gastritis, enteritis & diarrhoea				1													-	1	1
Nephritis & nephrosis							1	1					1				2	1	3
Hyperplasia of prostate															1		1	-	1
Congenital malformations		1															-	1	1
Other defined & ill defined diseases	2	1		1									1		4	7	7	9	16
Motor vehicle accidents							3		2								5	-	5
All other accidents	1								3		1	1				4	5	5	10
Suicide									1								1	-	1
Total, all causes	6	3	-	2	-	-	5	2	11	3	22	19	27	24	57	55	128	108	236

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Notification of Infectious Diseases

Disease	Oakham U.D.	Oakham R.D.	Uppingham R.D.	Ketton R.D.	Total
Scarlet Fever	13	9	1	4	27
Whooping Cough	-	1	-	-	1
Poliomyelitis Paralytic	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis, Non Paralytic	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	-	2	-	5	7
Acute Pneumonia	8	9	2	4	23
Dysentery (Sonne)	1	5	-	-	6
Erysipelas	-	1	-	1	2
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-
Total	22	27	3	14	66

VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION

Vaccination

Number of persons vaccinated (or re-vaccinated) during the year 1954						
Age at date of vaccination	Under 1	1	2 - 4	5 - 14	15 & over	Total
Number vaccinated	28	42	6	4	14	94
Number re-vaccinated	-	-	-	5	39	44

All vaccinations were done by general practitioners.

ACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION (cont'd.)

iphtheria Immunisation

	Number of children who completed a full course of primary immunisation and number of children who received a secondary (reinforcing) injection during the year 1954.							
	Age at date of final injection							
	Under 1	1	2	3	4	5 - 9	10 - 14	Total
ull course	32	86	46	20	13	60	3	260
einforcing	-	-	-	-	7	194	123	224

Approximately half of the primary immunisations were done at the nfant welfare centres and schools and the bulk of the re-inforcing injections t the schools; the remainder were done at the doctors' surgeries.

yunisation in Relation to Child Population

mber of children at 31st December, 1954, who had completed a course of munisation at any time before that date (i.e. at any time since 1.1.40),

ge at 31.12.54 e. Born in year	Under 1 1954	1-4 1953-1950	5-9 1949-1945	10-14 1944-1940	Under 15 Total
ast completed ourse of injections whether primary or oster). 1950-1954	32	643	1290	824	2789
1949 or earlier	-	-	361	798	1159
Estimated mid-year child population.	400	1400	3,500		5300
munity Index	8%	46%	61%		52%

hooping Cough Immunisation

Under 1 year	1 - 4 years	5 - 14 years
14	104	2

Most of the children recorded in the above table were immunised by eneral practitioners with combined diphtheria pertussis prophylactic.

Immunisation with whooping cough vaccine was also done at the ounty Welfare Centres during 1954.

TUBERCULOSIS

New Cases

Age Groups	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F
Under 1	-	-	-	-
1 -	-	-	-	-
2 -	-	-	-	-
5 -	-	1	1	-
10 -	1	-	1	-
15 -	-	2	-	1
20 -	-	2	-	1
25 -	-	1	1	-
35 -	2	-	1	-
45 -	1	-	-	-
55 -	-	-	-	-
65 -	-	-	-	-
Totals	4	6	4	2

Inward transfers included in the above table - 5 pulmonary cases, viz. 1 female (20-), 1 male & 1 female (25-) and 2 males (35-).

There were 5 deaths during the year, as follows:-

1 female (20-), 1 female* (25-),
1 male (35-), 2 males (55-).

* after post mortem.

All were pulmonary cases.

One of the Council's Health Visitors calls at the home of every notified case of tuberculosis and arranges for the examinations of contacts and reports on the home conditions. Cases found to be inadequately housed are referred by the Health Committee to the Local Sanitary Authority with a recommendation for rehousing where possible. Nursing requisites, bedding and garden shelters are provided when necessary.

The supply of free milk to one chronic case was continued during the year; and four new cases were allowed free milk.

B.C.G. Vaccination of 8 contacts was carried out.

Domiciliary treatment of active cases of pulmonary tuberculosis (consisting of injections of Streptomycin and P.A.S.) was given by the district nurses in 7 instances.

MEDICAL LOAN DEPOTS

(Section 28 N.H.S. Act)

These are maintained by the British Red Cross Society, who hold stocks of nursing equipment in most villages for loan to patients. The district nurse/midwives also have small loan "cupboards".

Village	Representative
Greetham	Mrs. A.H. Thorold
Little Casterton	Mrs. Harrison
Great Casterton	" "
Preston	Mrs. Woods
Wing	Mrs. Preston
Cottesmore	Mrs. Hollis
Barrowden	Miss Baines
Belton	Mrs. Seldon
Bisbrooke	Mrs. Gray
Belmisthorpe	Mrs. Flint
Braunston & Brooke	Mrs. R. Lee
Caldecott	Mrs. Stokes
Egleton	Mrs. Griffin
Exton	Mrs. Paling
Glaston	Mrs. Woods, Snr.
Ketton	Mrs. Sivers
Manton	Mrs. Senseeall
Morcott	Mrs. Farrant
Lyddington	Miss Masters
Mkt. Overton & Barrow	Mrs. C. Clow
Pilton	Mrs. Tyler
South Luffenham	Mrs. W.H. Smith
Stretton	Rev. C.B. Wheeldon
Tinwell	Mrs. Hoosen
Whissendine	Mrs. R. Watchorn
Thistleton	Mrs. Osborne
Teigh	Mrs. Gibbs
Hambleton	Mrs. Bushell
Ryhall	Mrs. Pearson
Thorpe-by-Water	Mrs. Northen
Ridlington	Mrs. Evans
Ashwell	Miss Williamson
Edith Weston	Miss L. Beaumont
Whitwell	Rev. L.G. Bartlett
Clipsham	Miss V. Chaplin
Wardley	Miss Jessop
Tickencote	Mrs. Coulson
Pickworth	Mrs. Davis Smith
Uppingham	Mrs. A.R. Beaumont, O.B.E.
Empingham	Miss Baker

Each village representative holds the following supplies:-

1 Rubber Sheet
1 Rubber Air Ring
1 Bedpan
1 Male Urinal
1 Feeding Cup
1 Sputum Mug

Other items such as wheel chairs, commodes, crutches, bed tables, etc., can be obtained through the village representative from the Red Cross Office in Oakham, or the County Health Department, Oakham.

DISTRIBUTION OF WELFARE FOODS

This became the responsibility of local health authorities after 28th June, 1954, following the decision of the Ministry of Food to close all food offices.

As recommended by the Ministry of Health the proposals under Section 22 of the National Health Service Act were modified accordingly:

"The Council propose, as part of their arrangements under Section 22, to distribute welfare foods supplied by the Ministry of Food, which are included in the National Welfare Foods Scheme; and to purchase and distribute other welfare foods where the welfare of expectant and nursing mothers or young children so requires."

As individual members of the Women's Voluntary Services were already distributing these foods from points in a number of villages, the Acting County Organiser kindly agreed to arrange for the entire distribution by the W.V.S. throughout the County and so the transition was a smooth one.

The distribution centres continued to be supplied from the Ministry of Food Depot at Peterborough East Goods Station, by a transport firm on behalf of the Ministry of Agriculture Fisheries and Food.

Centres

W.V.S. Office, 56, High Street, Oakham. Open from 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Weds. & Fridays.

Air Forse Station, Cottesmore	2 - 4 p.m.	Tuesdays
Manor House, Empingham	3.30 - 5 p.m.	Mondays
Exton Bakery, Exton	9 - 5 p.m.	Daily
"Aylesstone", High St., Ketton	2 - 4 p.m.	Tuesdays
11, O.M.Q., Edith Weston	2.15 - 4.30 p.m.	Tuesdays
"Belle Vue", Whissendine	2 - 4 p.m.	Tuesdays
Post Office, Barrowden	Business hours	Daily
" " Belton	" "	"
" " Lyddington	" "	"
" " Preston	" "	"
" " Ridlington	" "	"
" " Seaton	" "	"
" " Wing	" "	"
Welfare Centre, Church Hall, Uppingham	2 - 5 p.m.	Fridays
The Old Rectory, Ridlington	2.30 - 4.30 p.m.	Alt. Tuesdays
School Lane, Morcott	Business hours	Daily

Distributions during the period 28th June to 31st December, 1954, were:-

National Dried Milk, full cream and half cream,	Tins	5974
Cod Liver Oil,	Bottles	954
Vitamin A & D Tablets,	Packets	236
Orange Juice,	Bottles	5295
	Total	12459

CARE OF MOTHERS & YOUNG CHILDREN

Infant Welfare Centres are held as follows:-

Oakham	2nd and 4th Wednesday	each	month,	at	2.30 p.m.
Uppingham	1st and 3rd Wednesday	"	"	"	2.30 p.m.
Ketton	1st and 3rd Tuesday	"	"	"	2.30 p.m.
Empingham	1st and 3rd Wednesday	"	"	"	2.30 p.m.
Cottesmore Aerodrome	2nd and 4th Thursday	"	"	"	2.00 p.m.
N. Luffenham Aerodrome	2nd and 4th Tuesday	"	"	"	2.30 p.m.

Number of children who attended the above Centres during the year:-

Born in:-			
1954	1953	1952-49	Total number of children who attended during the year
191	132	91	414

Number of attendances during the year made by children who at the date of attendance were:-

Under 1 year	1 but under 2	2 but under 5	Total attendances
1524	421	324	2269

Care of Unmarried Mothers

The County Council contributed to the cost of maintenance of one unmarried mother (whose circumstances had been investigated by the Peterborough Diocesan Moral Welfare Worker) at St. Saviour's Diocesan Maternity Home, Northampton.

COUNTY NURSING SERVICE

(Sections 23 & 25 N.H.S. Act)

WORK OF THE VARIOUS DISTRICT NURSE/MIDWIVES

	Oakham	Uppingham North	Uppingham South	Luffenham	Ryhall	Langham	Market Overton	Total
	Miss Lewis * ⊖	Miss Anderson * ⊖	Miss Bird * ⊖	Mrs. Pearson * ⊖	Miss Jackson *	Miss Joyce * ⊖	Mrs. Carnaghan *	
ses								
dwifery & ternity	69	13	25	48	19	37	45	256
neral	114	27	78	55	40	98	13	425
sits								
dwifery & ternity	1452	287	577	584	430	822	884	5036
neral	1939	914	1354	470	938	1039	435	7089
her Visits	110	95	149	43	198	132	66	793
te-natal & st-natal	514	110	233	393	222	279	387	2138
tendances I.W.C.	13	11	12	-	-	9	21	66
. of times s & air ministered	66	11	17	40	18	34	28	214

All the district nurse/midwives have the S.C.M. certificate.

* S.R.N. ⊖ Queen's Nurse

ethidine

All the midwives were authorised to use pethidine. The drug was dministered to 104 patients (in 9 cases when the doctor was present and 95 cases hen the doctor was not present at the delivery of the child).

County Nursing Service (contd.)

Staff

Mrs. T.M. Carnachan took up the post of district nurse/midwive for the Market Overton Area on 1st March, 1954; and Miss M.H. Anderson was transferred from this area to Uppingham North.

Miss D. Bird was appointed as district nurse/midwife for the Uppingham South area; and took up her post on 1st April.

Miss M.B. Joyce was transferred to the Langham area at her own request on the resignation of Miss L. Keay, who had reached retiring age. Miss Keay was re-appointed as relief nurse and now lives in Oakham.

Cars

All the district nurse/midwives have cars, which, with one exception, are owned by the County Council. During the year the Standard 10 h.p. car was replaced by a Ford "Popular".

Houses

During the year the County Council bought No. 5, Church View, Market Overton, from the Oakham Rural District Council for the District Nurse/Midwife practicing in that area (it had previously been rented from the R.D.C.); and possession was taken of two flats, No.s 26 and 28, Queen's Road, Uppingham, built on the Leicester Road Housing Estate by the Uppingham Rural District Council for the County Council.

The accommodation for the district nurse/midwives as at 31st December, 1954, was as follows:-

Area	Owned by the County Council	Rented by the County Counci
kham	-	60, Cold Overton Road. Privately owned - garage also rented.
ppingham rth and South	26 & 28, Queen's Road. Flats with common district room and 2 separate garages	-
Luffenham	8, Highfield Cottages. Semi-detached house with district room and garage.	-
yhall	-	1, Spinney Lane. Owned by Ketton R.D.C.
angham	-	Melton Road, and garage. Privately owned.
arket Overton	5, Church View. Semi-detached house with garage.	-

MIDWIFERY

Section 23, N.H.S. Act.)

Domiciliary Midwifery

The Council's midwives attended 65% of the births, either in the patients' homes, The Home Hospital or the Station Sick Quarters of the Royal Canadian Air Force, N. Luffenham (34% of the births were home confinements).

Place of Birth Table

Domiciliary	134
Home Hospital, Oakham *	104
Rutland Memorial Hospital, Oakham	6
Stamford & Rutland Hospital, Stamford	116
Melton Mowbray Infirmary	6
The Gables, Peterborough	5
Station Sick Quarters, R.C.A.F., N.Luffenham	22
Leicester General Hospital	2
Others	5
Total	400

* The Home Hospital is a private nursing home with whom the Sheffield Regional Hospital Board had contractual beds.

REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES

(Sections 187 to 194, Public Health Act, 1936)

	Number of Homes	Number of beds provided for		
		Maternity	Others	Totals
Homes first registered during year	1	-	25	25
Homes on register at end of year	3	10	45	55

A private nursing home was registered during the year under the name of, The Private Nursing Home, Exton. It admits medical cases only --- mostly the elderly and infirm.

AMBULANCE SERVICE
(Section 27)

The Stamford Branch of the British Red Cross Society terminated their agreement to provide the sitting-case car service, in which Rutland participated, on 30th March, 1954. From that date the Kesteven County Council initiated a direct sitting-case car service and offered to undertake an agency service in respect of the parishes at present covered under the existing arrangements:

The Council's existing proposals in respect of the Ambulance Service were therefore modified as follows:

"Part II. Section A:-

Delete the following paragraph:-

"Arrangements will be made to continue the sitting case car service provided by the Hospital Car Service."

and substitute:-

"The sitting-case car service provided by the Hospital Car Service will be continued except in the parishes of Tinwell, Ketton, Tixover, Great Casterton, Little Casterton, Tickencote, Essendine, Ryhall, North Luffenham, South Luffenham, Barrowden, Morcott, Empingham, Whitwell, Clipsham, Stretton and Pickworth. In the aforesaid parishes the Kesteven County Council will, as from 1st April, 1954, undertake on the Rutland County Council's behalf, an agency Sitting-Case Car Service upon such terms as may be agreed."

The total number of miles covered by the ambulances and cars during the year was 114,499, an increase of just over 10,000 on the previous year.

In April the 27 h.p. Commer ambulance was replaced by a 16 h.p. Morris ambulance, a vehicle of the same capacity, i.e. up to 4 stretcher cases, but more economical to run.

Accident and other emergency journeys included in the table overleaf were as follows:-

County Ambulances	103
St. John Ambulance Brigade (Stamford) Ambulance...	132

AMBULANCE SERVICE

	AMBULANCES								AMB./CAR		SITTING-CASE CARS							
Base	Oakham						Stamford		Oakham		Rutland		Stamford		Stamford			
	Morris		Austin		Commer		St.John's		Ford		Voluntary		Voluntary		Agency		Monthly Total	
1954	M	P	M	P	M	P	M	P	M	P	M	P	M	P	M	P	M	P
January	-	-	413	40	2052	181	233½	19	2012	126	2931	182	801	25	500	39	8947	612
February	-	-	1671	134	990	66	347½	20	2172	117	2620	144	620	43	696	62	9117	586
March	-	-	1751	118	1148	111	311½	30	2725	181	3702	230	1370	80	608	57	11615	807
April	482	43	1365	125	773	70	284½	17	2122	139	3900	210	387	13	506	53	9820	670
May	2105	198	245	16	-	-	182	22	2452	169	2616	189	307	14	581	47	8488	655
June	1867	170	194	10	-	-	501½	10	2796	177	3564	201	370	16	569	39	9861	623
July	2318	159	455	27	-	-	175½	14	2431	140	3875	234	730	27	224	28	10208	629
August	2539	168	411	27	-	-	199	17	1970	112	2836	148	443	19	298	29	8696	520
September	2206	183	43	4	-	-	458½	45	2010	141	3362	196	877	39	476	56	9433	664
October	1751	128	211	11	-	-	108½	13	2013	128	3730	275	579	32	586	59	8978	646
November	2098	163	75	15	-	-	250½	17	1972	109	4881	328	655	25	966	93	10897	748
December	2691	121	360	39	-	-	271½	23	1737	105	2636	181	104	12	638	70	8438	551
	18057	1333	7199	566	4963	428	3324	247	26412	1644	40653	2518	7243	345	6648	632	114499	7711

DOMESTIC HELP SERVICE

(Section 29, N.A.S. Act)

Domestic Help

The Home Help Service is under the direction of the County Organiser of the Women's Voluntary Services, who is assisted by a clerk who combines this work with W.V.S. clerical duties.

There are seven home helps:-

Four part-time on a guaranteed week of 15 hours.
one part-time on a guaranteed week of 12½ hours.
Two casuals (for work in outlying villages).

Cases Table

Maternity	6
Tubercular	-
Geriatric	22
Others	8
Total	36

MENTAL HEALTH

nacy Act, 1890

Mr. S. Watson, as Duly Authorised Officer dealth with 5 cases, l of whom were certified under Section 16, as follows:-

Carlton Hayes Hospital			
Certified			
Admissions		Discharges	
M	F	M	F
3	2	5	2

ental Treatment

The number of cases admitted to hospitals was as follows:-

Carlton Hayes Hospital				Rauceby Mental Hospital							
Voluntary				Voluntary				Totals			
Admissions		Discharges		Admissions		Discharges		Admissions		Discharges	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
5	11	1	8	7	11	8	8	12	22	9	16

There has been a noticeable increase in the number of voluntary atients admitted to Mental Hospitals; and a decrease in the number certified.

Three males died in Carlton Hayes Hospital (2 voluntary patients nd 1 certified).

MENTAL DEFICIENCY ACTS, 1913 - 1948

The Health Visitors paid 143 visits to mental defectives during he year.

	During 1954				Total cases on register, 1.1.55			
	Under age 16		Aged 16 & over		Under age 16		Aged 16 & over	
rticulars of cases reported during 1954	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
) Cases at 31st December ascertained to be fectives "subject to be dealth with".								
Action taken on reports by:-								
(i) Local Education Authorities on children								
(1) While at school or liable to attend school								
(2) On leaving special schools								
(3) On leaving ordinary schools								
ii) Police or by Courts								
ii) Other sources	1							
tal number of cases reported	1							

tal Deficiency Acts, 1913 - 1948 (contd.)

	During 1953				Total cases on register, 1.1.55			
	Under age 16		Age 16 & over		Under age 16		Age 16 & over	
sposal of cases	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
the cases ascertained to be defectives bject to be dealth with" number								
i) Placed under Statutory Supervision ...					4	2	18	17
ii) Placed under Guardianship					-	-	2	3
iii) Taken to "Places of Safety					-	-	-	-
iv) Admitted to Hospitals		1*			2	-	20	22
Total		1			6	2	40	42
ssification of Defectives in the Community								
Cases included in item (i) to (iii) above in need of institutional care:-								
(1) In urgent need of institutional care								
(i) "Cot & chair" cases						1		
(ii) Ambulant low grade cases								
(iii) Medium grade cases								
(iv) High grade cases								
(2) Not in urgent need of institutional care:-								
(i) "Cot & chair" cases.....								
(ii) Ambulant lowgrade cases					2			
(iii) Medium grade cases					1			
(iv) High grade cases							2	
Total					3	1	2	
the cases included in items (a) (i) to ii), number considered suitable for:-								
(i) Occupation centre	1							2
(ii) Industrial centre								
(iii) Home training								
Total	1							2

mber of mental defectives who were in institutions, under Community care ncluding Voluntary Supervision) or in "Places of Safety", on 1st January, 1954, o have ceased to be under any of these forms of care during 1954.

	M	F	Total
(a) Ceased to be under care	-	2	2
(b) Died, removed from area, or lost sight of ...	3	2	5
Total	3	4	7

the total number of mental defectives under Supervision or Guardianship or no nger under care.

a) Number who have given birth to children while unmarried during 1954 .... Nil

b) Number who have married during 1954 ..... Nil

* This girl, who was admitted to hospital suffering from tubercular meningitis, did not respond to treatment; and is now awaiting transfer to a mental deficiency institution (i.e. as soon as a bed is available).

FOOD & DRUGS ACT, 1938.

Sampling was carried out by Mr. H. Tabberer, Sanitary Inspector to the Oakham Urban District Council (by arrangement with his Authority). The total number of samples taken during the year was 40.

Article	Number Examined	Number Unsatisfactory
Milk	16	1
Sausages, Pork	6	1
Sausages, Beef	2	-
Cakeoma	1	-
Coffee & Chickory	2	-
Beer	1	-
Cookeen Compound Fat	1	-
Vinegar	3	-
Margarine	2	-
Margarine with 10% butter	3	-
Meat, Potted	1	-
Salmon & Anchovy Paste	1	-
Butter	1	-
Total	40	2

The unsatisfactory sample of milk was found to contain 7% of added water, the presence of the added water in the sample being confirmed by its freezing point. The offence was admitted - the defence being that it had been committed by an inexperienced farm hand. A fine was imposed.

The unsatisfactory sample of pork sausage was found to be preserved with sulpher dioxide preservative to the extent of 200 parts per million of sulpher dioxide, a quantaty which is permissable under the Preservative Regulations provided notice of preservative is given to the purchaser; but as the sample taken was an informal one, no legal action was taken although no such declaration had been made by the vendor.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS

Incidence of Blindness

The Royal Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Institution for the Blind have kindly supplied the following information.

The Ophthalmic Surgeon saw 11 B.D.8 cases of whom he certified 7 as Blind and 4 as Partially Sighted

There were

	6 cases of Cataract
	5 cases of other conditions
	0 cases of Glaucoma
	0 cases of Retrolental Fibroplasia
Total	11

In 7 cases no treatment was advised

3 cases surgical treatment was advised

1 case optical treatment was advised

11

At the end of the year of the 4 cases recommended for treatment:-

In 3 cases treatment was completed.

1 case treatment was postponed indefinitely.

There appeared to be no appreciable delay in patients requiring treatment being admitted to hospital.

RURAL WATER SUPPLIES AND SEWERAGE ACT, 1944

The following schemes were approved by the County Council during the year.

Oakham Rural District

The installation of a filtration plant for the Market Overton, Barrow, Whissendine and Teigh Water supply.

Water supply scheme for Exton.

Uppingham Rural District

Water supply for Ridlington and Preston.

Water supply sheme for Belton.

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27th September 1955